

FACILITIES IN KINGS CANYON PARK & USFS

Grant Grove Area

GRANT GROVE VILLAGE

6600' (2008 m) elevation. This was originally General Grant National Park, created in 1890 to protect sequoias from logging. Here you can see both a pristine grove & one that was logged in the 1800s.

INFORMATION

- **Kings Canyon Park Visitor Center (NPS):** Daily 8am-5pm through 10/25, then 9am-4:30pm. Exhibits & a 15-minute movie captioned in English and Spanish. Books, maps, first aid, bear canisters. Local wilderness permits issued 8am-4:45pm through 10/25, then 9am - 4:15 pm. 1-559-565-4307.

FOOD & SHOPS (KCPS)

- **Restaurant:** Daily 8am-2pm & 5-7pm (8pm Friday - Saturday) through 10/18, then 9am-2pm & 5-7pm (8pm Friday - Saturday) Beginning 10/19, 9am - 6pm (7pm Friday and Saturday).
- **Gift Shop, Market:** Daily 9am - 7pm through 10/18 (9am - 8pm Friday - Saturday), then 9am - 6pm (9am - 7pm Friday - Saturday). Souvenirs, film, clothing, ATM. Market sells food & other supplies, sandwiches, bear canisters, & cans of emergency gasoline.

OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping & Lodging:** See page 10-11. Lodge front desk 7am-10pm.
- **Post Office:** Hours may change without notice. Monday-Friday 9am - 3:30 pm; Saturday 10 - noon. Lobby open 24 hours. Send mail for visitors to: c/o General Delivery, Kings Canyon NP, CA 93633. 1-559-335-2499.
- **Stables - Horseback Riding:** Closed for season. Details on page 3.
- **Pay Telephones:** Available 24 hours at Kings Canyon Visitor Center (booth by front door); and outside gift shop, market, and post office. Cell phone signals are usually poor.
- **Showers:** Closed for the season.

In the Kings Canyon

Hwy 180 from Junction View into the canyon remains open until November 14, weather permitting.

CEDAR GROVE VILLAGE

4600' (1410 m) elevation. This glaciated valley features towering granite cliffs, tumbling waterfalls, and the powerful Kings River — “a rival to the Yosemite,” according to John Muir.

INFORMATION

- **Visitor Center (NPS):** Closed for the season.
- **Wilderness Permits (NPS):** Self-register at Road's End, 6 miles (9.6km) east of the village. See details about permits on page 4.

FOOD, LODGING & SHOPS (KCPS)

- **Restaurant:** Counter-service meals & snack bar; not a full-service restaurant. Weekdays 8 - 10:30 am & 5-7pm; weekends also 11am - 2pm. Last meal is breakfast on 10/19, 8-10am. Lunch supplies at market.
- **Gift Shop & Market:** Salads, sandwiches, supplies, bear canisters, souvenirs, film. Daily 8am-7pm, closing 10:30 am on October 19.

OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping & Lodging:** See page 10-11. Lodge front desk 8am-7pm. Last night for lodging is 10/18.
- **Showers:** 8am - 1pm and 3 - 6pm. Last day open is 10/18.
- **Pay Telephones:** At restaurant/market & visitor center. No cell signal.
- **Horseback Riding:** Details on page 3.

USFS: National Forest & Monument

HUME LAKE & BIG MEADOWS AREAS (FS)

Giant Sequoia National Monument, part of Sequoia National Forest, borders much of the western edge of these National Parks. You are in the National Forest when you drive between the park areas of Lodgepole and Grant Grove, and between Grant Grove and Cedar Grove (see page 2 for more on Parks and Forests). Sold to the government as a Forest Reserve in 1935, it is an excellent place to see sequoias recovering from intensive logging in the late 1800s.

PAY TELEPHONES (cell-phone signals are usually poor):

- **Between Wuksachi Village & Grant Grove:** Summer only at Stony Creek Resort & Big Meadows trailhead.
- **Between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove:** Hume Lake (year round; see *Hume Lake* below); Kings Canyon Lodge (summer only).

INFORMATION

- **USFS Hume Lake District Office (FS):** 35860 Kings Canyon Road (Hwy 180) in Dunlap, 19 miles (31 km) west of Kings Canyon park entrance at Big Stump. Monday through Friday, 8am-4:30pm. Maps & books sold. 1-559-338-2251; www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia.

LODGING & OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping (FS) & Lodging (private):** See pages 10 & 11.
- **Montecito Lake Resort (FS permittee):** Open all year. A resort on public land. On Generals Highway 9 miles (14.5km) south of Grant Grove. Breakfast 7:30-9am, lunch 12-1:30pm, dinner 5:30-7pm. Cabins, hotel, children's activities, winter activities. 800-227-9900; 1-559-565-3388.
- **Hume Lake:** Year-round private facilities open to public: **24-hour laundry** (coin-operated) & **gas station** (with credit card). **Market** 8am - 5pm daily. **Snack shop** weekends only. North of Grant Grove 8 miles (13km) on Hwy 180, then south on Hume Lake Road 3 miles (5km). 1-559-335-2000.
- **Boyden Cavern:** On Highway 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. Daily tours on the hour 11am - 4pm through the first week of November, weather permitting. Gift shop. Ask about evening flashlight tours & guided canyoneering trips. Ages 13 & up \$12.50; 3-12 \$7.50; AAA & seniors 10% discount. Schools & other groups call 1-559-338-0959.
- **Stony Creek Village (FS):** On Generals Highway south of Grant Grove. Lodging. Market, restaurant 8am-7pm Sunday-Thursday, 8am-8pm Friday and Saturday. Showers/laundry 10am-4pm. Gasoline 24 hours with credit card. Last night for motel is 10/11, and for other facilities is 10/12. 1-866-KCANYON; 1-559-565-3909.
- **Big Meadows Cabin (FS)** historic guard station: See page 10.

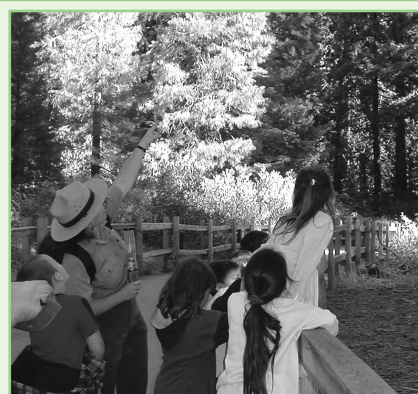
GASOLINE SALES on FOREST LANDS

- At Hume Lake year-round; at Stony Creek and Kings Canyon Lodge summer only. See page 3 for hours.

Where to Pay Your Entrance Fee

Beginning October 14th, fee collection will be moved to outside the visitor center; please stop there to pay. Big Stump Picnic Area will reopen on 10/17. Until then, take your picnic basket to Columbine (or see the park map for other picnic areas).

FREE NATURE PROGRAMS



In the fall, park rangers may offer free walks and talks on some weekends in Grant Grove. Check local bulletin boards or visitor center for details.

Snowshoe walks will be offered weekends beginning December 26 if there is enough snow.